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MEMORANDUM FOR

A. Setting

Domestic Affairs

1. Since October 1968, the military government of Peru has embarked upon a path of socio-economic reform unprecedented in Peruvian history. Its major goals have been to remove political and economic power from the hands of Peru's traditional elites, to facilitate the redistribution of income and elevate the status of workers, to modernize Peru through increased state control of the economy, and to achieve a large measure of independence in Peru's international relations. As a member of the Ecuadorean military recently observed (perhaps with envy), to date the Peruvian government has had more successes than failures.

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